

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA**

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INTERNET TELEPHONY
ANANDRAO ADSUL

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Internet Service Providers (ISP) have requested for allowing them to offer internet telephony without taking any additional licences and paying any entry fee ;
- (b) if so, the details thereof ;and
- (c) the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI SIKDAR)

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) have recommended to the Government for opening up of Internet Telephony to the Internet Service Providers (ISPs).
- (c) The Government has accepted the recommendations given by TRAI.